



Cooperation Agreement Between
European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS)
and
Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM)

Brussels-Madrid, 2025

Abbreviations or Acronyms / [Abreviaturas o Acrónimos](#)

CGCOM	Spanish General Medical Council
CONFEMEL	Confederación Médica Latinoamericana y del Caribe
CPD / CME	Continuing Professional Development / Continuing Medical Education
DPC / FMC	Desarrollo Profesional Continuo / Formación Médica Continuada
EACCME	European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education
ECMECs	European Continuing Medical Education Credits
ELM	E-Learning Material
L-ELM	Local E-Learning Material
L-LEE	Local Live Educational Event
LbT	Learning by Teaching / Aprender enseñando
LEE	Live Educational Event
PUB / P-MCF	Publishing scientific and educational material / Publicación de Material Científico y Formativo
REV / R-MCF	Reviewing scientific and educational material / Revisión de Material Científico y Formativo
SEAFORMEC	Consejo Profesional Médico Español de Acreditación para DPC/FMC
SEAFORMEC / SMPAC	Consejo Profesional Médico Español de Acreditación para DPC/FMC / Spanish Medical Professional Accreditation Council for DPC/FMC
SMPAC for CPD / CME	Spanish Medical Professional Accreditation Council for CPD/CME
UEMS	European Union of Medical Specialists

THIS AGREEMENT is made on 10th September 2025

BETWEEN:

1. The **EUROPEAN UNION OF MEDICAL SPECIALISTS (UEMS)**, an international non-for-profit organization incorporated under the laws of Belgium, having its registered office at Rue de l'Industrie 24, - 1040 Brussels (Belgium), acting through its department the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®), hereby validly represented by Prof. Vassilios Papalois, UEMS President and Prof. João Miguel Grenho, UEMS General-Secretary;

and

2. The **SPANISH GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL (CGCOM)**, a Spanish non-for-profit organization incorporated under the laws of Spain, having its registered office at Plaza de las Cortes 11, Madrid 28014, acting through its department the Spanish Medical Professional Accreditation Council (SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®), for CPD/CME hereby validly represented by Dr Tomás Cobo Castro, President of CGCOM and Dr José María Rodríguez Vicente CGCOM General-Secretary;

The parties sub (1) to (2) shall hereafter be referred to individually as a "**Party**" and collectively as the "**Parties**".

RECITALS/CONSIDERANDOS:

- A. The UEMS is a non-governmental voluntary organisation associating the national medical organisations that represent medical specialists in the European Union and in associated countries.
- B. The UEMS established the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®), in January 2000, with the aim of encouraging high standards in the development, delivery and harmonisation of continuing medical education (hereafter "CME") and continuing professional development (hereafter "CPD").
- C. The UEMS-EACCME® has established an international accreditation system <https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria> applicable to live educational events (UEMS 2023.07.REV), E-learning materials (UEMS 2023.08.REV), Blended Learning (UEMS 2023.09.REV) and Recognition of CME-CPD activities (UEMS 2023.10.REV) and has introduced a common "CME currency": the European CME Credit (ECMEC®).
- D. The UEMS-EACCME® serves as the central link between the national accreditation authorities (NAAs), the UEMS specialist sections and boards

(S&Bs), the European Specialty Accreditation Boards (ESABs) and the providers of CPD/CME activities. UEMS-EACCME® accreditation will be automatically recognised in all the countries, in and outside Europe, whose professional NAAs have signed an agreement with UEMS-EACCME®.

- E.** The CGCOM® is the Spanish National Institution assembling the 52 Spanish Medical Colleges (Professional Medical Associations) representing the 52 Spanish provinces.
- F.** On January 29th, 2003, the CGCOM established a professional body, the Spanish Medical Professional Accreditation Council (SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®) for CPD/CME with the aim of encouraging high standards in the development, delivery and harmonisation of continuing professional development (hereafter “CPD”) and continuing medical education (hereafter “CME”).
- G.** SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® has established a professional accreditation system described in (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_fmc) applicable to Live CME events, E-learning materials and Blended Learning and in (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc) applicable to continuing professional development (CPD), introducing a rating scale in credits. These procedures are based on the accreditation process of the UEMS-EACCME® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>) with appropriate specific regulations as language, fees for the evaluations and regulations required by Spanish national laws.
- H.** Previous agreements of collaboration on CPD and CME, and specifically on recognition of CPD/CME credits between CGCOM-SMPAC and UEMS-EACCME® were signed on November 29th, 2003, on November 24th, 2012, on May 23rd, 2014, and on April 28th, 2018. Moreover, on March 22nd, 2021, were signed two Addenda to strengthen UEMS-CGCOM collaboration on CPD/CME activities.
- I.** The Parties to this Cooperation Agreement acknowledge the need to collaborate on accreditation for International CPD/CME events, mutual recognition of CPD/CME credits, improvement of CPD/CME accreditation quality and on related activities.
- J.** The Parties wish to cooperate in this respect pursuant to the terms and conditions defined herein.
- K.** To reinforce the objective of this agreement with new projects and collaborations in CPD/CME, the parties may sign different specific addenda that will respect the principles of this agreement.

THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS

1. Interpretation / Interpretación

Unless the context or the express provisions of this agreement otherwise require: A menos que el contexto o las disposiciones expresas del presente acuerdo dispongan lo contrario:

- A. All references to this agreement include the schedules and all other attachments hereto. Todas las referencias a este acuerdo incluyen los calendarios y todos los demás anexos del mismo.
- B. Words importing the singular shall include the plural and vice-versa. Las palabras en singular incluirán el plural y viceversa.
- C. All references to documents include, unless expressly stated otherwise, all amendments and restatements thereof and supplements thereto. Todas las referencias a los documentos incluyen, salvo que se indique expresamente lo contrario, todas las modificaciones y actualizaciones de los mismos y de sus apéndices.
- D. All references to a provision of law include a reference to that provision as amended or re-enacted. Todas las referencias a una disposición de la ley jurídica incluyen una referencia a esa disposición en su forma enmendada o re-promulgada.
- E. All references to a "Party" include references to its permitted assigns and transferees and its successors in title. Todas las referencias a una "Parte" incluyen referencias a sus beneficiarios y cesionarios permitidos y sus derechohabientes.
- F. Headings contained herein are for ease of reference only. Los encabezados del presente documento son para facilitar la consulta.

2. Process of collaboration / Procesos de colaboración

The parties agree to collaborate in the following processes described in Table 1 and which will be developed in the corresponding addenda.

Table 1.		Collaboration processes between UEMS-EACCME and CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC	
	Process / Addendum	Type of activity	Location of the events
1	Accreditation of international FMC activities requested from EACCME	a. Live educational events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Live events (Held at a physical venue /On-site) ii. Streamed live (Virtual event or Webinar) iii. Hybrid (On-site and via live streaming) b. E-Learning materials (ELM) c. Blended	Spain
2	Accreditation of Spanish FMC activities requested from SEAFORMEC/SMPAC	a. Live educational events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Live events (Held at a physical venue /On-site) ii. Streamed live (Virtual event or Webinar) iii. Hybrid (On-site and via live streaming) b. E-Learning materials (ELM) c. Blended	Spain or CONFEMEL countries
3	Recognition of CPD activities developed in Spain and CONFEMEL and the UEMS-EACCME® procedure accreditation for these activities	a. Reviewing scientific and educational material (REV) b. Publishing scientific and educational material (PUB) c. Learning by Teaching (LbT)	Spain or CONFEMEL countries
4	Backup evaluation of international CPD activities requested from EACCME	a. Live events b. E-Learning material c. Blended	Any country excluding Spain
5	Agreement between the Ministry of Health, the UEMS and the CGCOM, to promote and disseminate the professional development of physicians	Administrative process of the Spanish Ministry of Health to delegate the recognition of ECMECs credits in Spain to CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC	N/A

Las partes acuerdan colaborar en los siguientes procesos que se describen en la tabla 1 y que se desarrollaran en las Correspondientes adendas.

Tabla 1.		Procesos de colaboración entre UEMS-EACCME y CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC	
	Proceso / Adenda	Tipo de actividad	Localización de la actividad
1	Acreditación de actividades de FMC internacionales solicitadas a EACCME	a. Presenciales i. Presenciales ii. Presencial-virtual/Transmitida en línea (Evento virtual o Webinar] iii. Híbridas (Presencial + Presencial-Virtual) b. A distancia c. Mixtas	España
2	Acreditación de actividades de FMC españolas solicitadas a SEAFORMEC/SMPAC	a. Presenciales i. Presenciales ii. Presencial-virtual/Transmitida en línea (Evento virtual o Webinar] iii. Híbridas (Presencial + Presencial-Virtual) b. A distancia c. Mixtas	España o países de CONFEMEL
3	Reconocimiento de las actividades de DPC desarrolladas en España y CONFEMEL y procedimiento de acreditación UEMS-EACCME® de estas actividades	a. Revisión de material científico y formativo (R-MCF) b. Publicación de material científico y formativo (P-MCF) c. Aprender enseñando FMC (LbT)	España o países de CONFEMEL
4	Evaluación de apoyo (<i>Backup</i>) de actividades de FMC internacionales solicitadas a EACCME	a. Presenciales b. A distancia c. Mixtas	Cualquier país excepto España
5	Convenio entre el Ministerio de Sanidad, la UEMS y el CGCOM, para favorecer la promoción y difusión del desarrollo profesional de los médicos	Proceso administrativo del Ministerio de Sanidad de España para delegar al CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC el reconocimiento de créditos ECMECs en España	N/A

3. Exclusivity (Exclusividad)

- 3.1. Unless mutually agreed between the Parties to this agreement, during the term of this agreement, neither Party shall cooperate with any third party who is an accreditation authority with respect to international accreditation of CPD/CME live events taking place in Spain and/or e-learning materials it being specified that this exclusivity undertaking shall not prevent UEMS-EACCME® to submit the review of an EACCME® accreditation application to the relevant specialty-based organization in accordance with its accreditation procedures from UEMS-EACCME (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>) and from CGCOM-SEAFORMEC (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_fmc) and (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc). El presente acuerdo establece durante toda su vigencia, salvo acuerdo mutuo entre las Partes, que ninguna de ellas cooperará con otras autoridades de acreditación en el ámbito de la acreditación internacional de eventos de DPC/FMC o materiales de e-learning que tengan lugar en España. Este compromiso de exclusividad no impedirá a UEMS-EACCME® presentar para su examen una solicitud de acreditación al correspondiente organismo la especialidad en base de acuerdo con los procedimientos de acreditación de UEMS-EACCME® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>) y de CGCOM-SEAFORMEC (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_fmc) and (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc).
- 3.2. CGCOM® shall at all times take all necessary measures to ensure that every application for international accreditation made to it by providers of CPD/CME activities is redirected to UEMS-EACCME® via its online application system (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>). El CGCOM® hará todo lo posible para garantizar que todas las solicitudes de acreditación internacional que reciba de los proveedores de actividades de DPC/CME se redirijan a la UEMS-EACCME® a través de su sistema de solicitud en línea (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>).

4. Advisory Council (Consejo Asesor)

- 4.1. The UEMS-EACCME® holds annually an Advisory Council meeting gathering all the NAAs, the UEMS specialist sections and boards, the ESABs and other partners (if any) involved in UEMS-EACCME® accreditation in order to evaluate the cooperation with regard to accreditation of international CPD/CME live events and/or e-learning materials, and issue any recommendation in this respect as deemed appropriate or necessary. La UEMS-EACCME® organiza anualmente una reunión del Consejo Consultivo que reúne a las NAA, las Secciones Especializadas y los Boards, los ESAB y otros organismos (si los hubiere) que participan en la acreditación UEMS-EACCME® con el fin de evaluar la cooperación en materia de acreditación de eventos internacionales de DPC/FMC presenciales o materiales de formación a

distancia, y emitir-recomendaciones a este respecto cuando se considere apropiado o necesario.

- 4.2. Representatives of CGCOM® shall be entitled to attend this Advisory Council and shall report on the evolution of the accreditation activities in Spain. Los representantes del CGCOM® tendrán derecho a asistir a este Consejo Consultivo y presentar un informe sobre la evolución de las actividades de acreditación en España.

5. Representations and warranties (Representaciones y garantías)

- 5.1. The Parties represent to each other that: Las Partes se representan entre sí para que:

- 5.1.1. During the term of this agreement, they shall never have any direct or indirect interest – other than in the normal course of their activities of national or international accreditation body (as the case may be) – in relation with any person carrying a business of CPD/CME live event and/or e-learning material provider and/or any person carrying a business in the medical devices and equipment sector or pharmaceutical sector. Durante la vigencia de este acuerdo, nunca podrán tener interés directo o indirecto -que no sea en el curso normal de sus actividades del organismo nacional o internacional de acreditación (como pudiera ser el caso)- en relación con cualquier persona que lleva un negocio de DPC/FMC (evento presencial y/o material de formación a distancia o persona que lleve un negocio de dispositivos médicos, del sector de los equipos o del sector farmacéutico);

- 5.1.2. Any person appointed as reviewer of the accreditation applications on behalf of the Parties pursuant to this agreement is a competent and reliable professional which has made a written declaration of absence of conflict of interest towards CME live event and/or e-learning material providers and/or the medical devices and equipment sector or pharmaceutical industry. Cualquier persona designada como revisor de las solicitudes de acreditación en nombre de las Partes de conformidad con este acuerdo es un profesional competente y confiable que ha ejecutado una declaración escrita de ausencia de conflicto de interés relacionados con DPC/FMC (eventos presenciales y/o proveedores de material de aprendizaje y/o de dispositivos médicos y/o de la industria farmacéutica).

6. Confidentiality (Confidencialidad)

- 6.1. Each Party undertakes to treat as strictly confidential all information, documents, data, know-how or materials received from the other Party in the context of this Agreement, regardless of the format in which they are disclosed, provided that such information is not publicly available or lawfully obtained from third parties. *Cada Parte se compromete a tratar como estrictamente confidencial toda la información, documentos, datos, know-how o materiales recibidos de la otra Parte en el marco del presente Acuerdo, con independencia del formato en que se revelen, siempre que dicha información no sea de dominio público o haya sido obtenida lícitamente de terceros.*
- 6.2. Neither Party may disclose such confidential information to third parties without the prior written consent of the other Party, except where disclosure is required by law, regulation or court order. *Ninguna de las Partes podrá divulgar dicha información confidencial a terceros sin el consentimiento previo y por escrito de la otra Parte, salvo en aquellos casos en que la divulgación venga exigida por ley, reglamento o resolución judicial.*

7. Data protection (Protección de datos)

- 7.1. Both Parties act as controllers of the personal contact data of the signatories to this Agreement and inform each other that such data shall be processed in accordance with the applicable data protection regulations, namely Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR). Such processing shall be carried out exclusively for the purpose of managing the present collaboration. *Ambas partes son responsables del tratamiento de los datos personales de contacto de los intervinientes en el presente Convenio y se informan mutuamente que estos datos serán tratados de conformidad con lo dispuesto en el Reglamento (UE) 2016/679 (RGPD). Dicho tratamiento se realizará exclusivamente con la finalidad de gestionar la presente colaboración.*
- 7.2. The data shall be retained for as long as necessary to fulfil the purpose for which it was collected and to determine any possible liabilities, respecting the minimum retention periods set out in the applicable legislation. *Los datos se conservarán durante el tiempo necesario para cumplir con la finalidad para la que se recabaron y para determinar las posibles responsabilidades, respetando en todo caso los plazos mínimos de conservación señalados en la normativa aplicable.*
- 7.3. Data will not be disclosed to third parties, except where required by law or by a judicial authority; if disclosure is necessary for the execution of this Agreement, the data subjects will be informed in advance. In the event that the implementation of this Agreement involves the international transfer of personal data, the Parties shall ensure that such transfer is carried out in accordance with Articles 44 et seq. GDPR. *No está previsto comunicar datos*

a terceros, salvo obligación legal o requerimiento judicial; si fuese necesario para la ejecución del Acuerdo, se informará previamente al interesado. En caso de que el desarrollo del Convenio implique transferencias internacionales de datos personales, las Partes garantizarán que dichas transferencias se realicen conforme a los artículos 44 y siguientes del RGPD.

- 7.4. Data subjects may exercise their rights of access, rectification, erasure, portability, restriction and objection, and may lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority. Los intervinientes podrán ejercer los derechos de acceso, rectificación, supresión, portabilidad, limitación y oposición, y también tienen derecho a presentar una reclamación ante la autoridad de control.
- 7.5. Each Party acknowledges that, within the framework of this Agreement, it may process personal data relating to healthcare professionals, evaluators or third parties. For such processing, each Party shall act as an independent data controller, determining the purposes and means in accordance with applicable data protection law. Cada Parte reconoce que, en el marco del presente Acuerdo, puede tratar datos personales relativos a profesionales sanitarios, evaluadores o terceros. Respecto de dicho tratamiento, cada Parte actuará como responsable independiente, determinando los fines y medios conforme a la normativa aplicable.
- 7.6. Each Party undertakes to: (a) process personal data lawfully, fairly and transparently, only for purposes directly related to the performance of this Agreement; (b) implement appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to the risk; (c) provide data subjects with the information required by law; and (d) cooperate in good faith to address data subject rights requests where such cooperation is legally required. Cada Parte se compromete a: (a) tratar los datos personales de forma lícita, leal y transparente, únicamente para fines directamente relacionados con la ejecución de este Acuerdo; (b) aplicar medidas técnicas y organizativas adecuadas para garantizar un nivel de seguridad acorde con el riesgo; (c) facilitar a los interesados la información legalmente exigida; y (d) cooperar de buena fe en la atención de solicitudes de ejercicio de derechos cuando dicha cooperación sea legalmente exigible.

8. Term and termination (Duración y término)

- 8.1. This agreement is entered into between the parties for an initial period of 5 years from the date hereof. Este acuerdo entra en vigor entre las partes por un período inicial de 5 años a partir de la fecha de la firma.
- 8.2. Subject as provided in this clause, either party is entitled to terminate this agreement by giving the other not less than six months prior notice. The expiration or termination of this agreement for any reason shall not affect a party's accrued rights and obligations as at the date of the expiration or termination of this agreement. Sujeto a lo dispuesto en esta cláusula,

cualquiera de las partes tiene derecho a terminar este acuerdo dando a la otra no menos de seis meses de antelación. La expiración o terminación de este acuerdo por cualquier motivo no afectarán a los derechos y obligaciones devengadas de una parte en la fecha de la expiración o terminación de este acuerdo.

8.3. The notice must be sent by registered mail. The termination letter must mention the commencement date and the duration of the notice period. The notice period will start on the third working day after the registered mail was posted and will, in principle, end at the end of a calendar month. La notificación debe ser enviada por correo certificado. La carta de vencimiento debe mencionar la fecha de inicio y la duración del plazo de preaviso. El plazo de preaviso comenzará en el tercer día hábil tras su envío por correo certificado terminará, en principio, al final de un mes natural.

8.4. Either party may terminate this agreement by summary notice to the other if: Cualquiera de las partes podrá dar por terminado este acuerdo mediante notificación resumen a la otra en el caso de que:

8.4.1. An order is made, or a petition is presented, or an effective resolution is passed for the winding-up of such other party. Se dé una orden o se presente una petición o se apruebe una resolución de liquidación de la otra parte.

8.4.2. Such other party commits a breach of any of the provisions of this agreement and, in the case of a breach capable of remedy, fails to remedy the same within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of a notice in writing giving particulars of the breach and requiring it to be remedied. La otra parte incumpla alguna de las disposiciones del presente Acuerdo y, en el caso de un incumplimiento subsanable, no se subsane dentro de los treinta (30) días naturales siguientes a la recepción de una notificación por escrito que especifique la infracción y pida que sea subsanada.

9. Entire agreement (Clausula de integridad)

This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes and extinguishes all previous drafts, agreements, arrangements and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter. Este acuerdo es el definitivo entre las partes y sustituye y deroga los anteriores borradores, acuerdos y convenios, ya sean escritos u orales, en relación con este tema.

10. Assignment (Cesión)

Neither Party shall assign or otherwise encumber or dispose of any of its rights under this agreement without the prior written consent of the other which it shall be fully entitled to withhold. Ninguna de las Partes podrá ceder, transferir o disponer de los derechos que otorga este convenio sin el consentimiento previo por escrito de la otra parte, la cual estará plenamente en su derecho a de negarse.

11. Severability (Divisibilidad)

In the event that the whole or any part of the terms, conditions or provisions contained in this agreement shall be determined invalid, unlawful or unenforceable to any extent then such term, condition or provision shall be severed from the remaining terms, conditions and provisions, which shall continue to be fully valid and enforceable permitted by law. En el caso de que la totalidad o parte de los términos, condiciones y disposiciones contenidas en este acuerdo resultaran ser inválidos, ilegales o no ejecutables total o parcialmente, entonces dichos términos, condición o disposición será separada del resto de los términos, condiciones y disposiciones, que seguirá siendo válido y aplicable en la máxima medida permitida por la ley.

12. Variation (Cambios)

No provision of this agreement shall be amended except in writing signed by the Parties or their duly authorised representatives. Las cláusulas de este acuerdo sólo se podrán modificar por escrito, firmadas por ambas Partes o sus representantes legales.

13. Waiver (Renuncia)

No failure or delay in exercising any right, power or remedy under this agreement and no course of dealing shall operate as a waiver of such right, power or remedy. No single or partial exercise of any such right, power or remedy shall preclude any future or other exercise of that or any right, power or remedy. La falta o retraso en el ejercicio de cualquier derecho, facultad o compensación de este acuerdo, o la falta de tramitación no constituirán una renuncia a dicho derecho, facultad o compensación. El hecho de que no se ejerza, individual o parcialmente, algún derecho, facultad o compensación no impedirá que se haga en un futuro.

14. Applicable law and jurisdiction (Legislación y jurisdicción aplicables)

- 14.1. This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Belgian law. *El presente Acuerdo se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con la legislación belga.*
- 14.2. Any dispute in connection with this agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Brussels, without prejudice to the rights of the parties to take legal action before any other court of competent jurisdiction. *Las controversias que surjan en relación con este contrato estarán sujetas a la jurisdicción de los tribunales de Bruselas, sin perjuicio de los derechos de las partes a emprender acciones legales ante cualquier otro tribunal de jurisdicción competente.*

Made in two originals, each party having received one on 10th September 2025. *Se han hecho dos originales y cada parte ha recibido uno el 10 de septiembre de 2025.*

1. UEMS-EACCME®



Duly and validly represented by
Name: Prof Vassilios Papalois
Title: UEMS President



Duly and validly represented by
Name: Prof João Grenho
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2. CGCOM-SMPAC®

*Debida y válidamente
representada por
Nombre: Tomás Cobo Castro
Título: Presidente de CGCOM*

*Debida y válidamente
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Título: Secretario General de CGCOM*

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ADDENDUM 1.

PROCESS TI

TLE / TÍTULO DEL PROCESO

PROCESS 1. Accreditation of international CME activities carried out in Spain requested from EACCME

PROCESO 1. Acreditación de actividades de FMC internacionales realizadas en España solicitadas a EACCME

RECITALS / CONSIDERANDOS

1. Mutual recognition of competence for evaluation/accreditation of international CME live events according to the attached table

Reconocimiento mutuo de la competencia para evaluar/acreditar las actividades internacionales presenciales de FMC según la tabla adjunta

- a) A live educational event / **Eventos presenciales**
 - I. Held at a Physical venue / on-site / **Evento presencial**
 - II. Streamed live (virtual event or webinar) / **Presencial-virtual / Transmitida en línea**
 - III. Hybrid (on site and via live-streaming) / **Hibrida (Presencial + Presencial-Virtual)**
 - b) Blended events (whose live event part takes place in Spain) / **Eventos mixtos (cuya parte presencial se realice en España)**
- 1.1 Subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement, the Parties mutually acknowledge and recognize each other as competent bodies for evaluation/accreditation of international CPD/CME live events taking place in Spain and CONFEMEL countries. **Sujetos a los términos y condiciones de este acuerdo, las Partes reconocen mutuamente y se reconocen mutuamente como órganos competentes para la evaluación/acreditación de eventos presenciales internacionales de DPC/FMC que tienen lugar en España y en los países pertenecientes a CONFEMEL.**
- 1.2 The Parties reviewed each other system of accreditation and recognize that their respective accreditation systems are compatible and complementary, and can be simultaneously applied in evaluating an international CPD/CME live event taking place in Spain and CONFEMEL countries, it being specified, for the avoidance of doubt, that such an international CPD/CME live event

will only benefit from EACCME® accreditation provided that it meets the evaluation criteria of both Parties. Las Partes revisaron cada uno de sus sistemas de acreditación y reconocen que sus respectivos sistemas de acreditación son compatibles y complementarios, y se pueden aplicar de forma simultánea en la evaluación de eventos presenciales internacionales de DPC/FMC que tengan lugar en España y países CONFEMEL, especificándose, para evitar toda duda, que un evento presencial de DPC/FMC internacional, sólo se beneficiará de la acreditación EACCME® siempre que cumpla los criterios de evaluación de ambas Partes.

- 1.3 The Parties state that potential problems with application of a principle described in 1.1 of this addendum have been raised, communicated and resolved prior to the performance of this agreement. Las Partes declaran que los posibles problemas en la aplicación del principio descrito en el punto 1.1 de esta adenda se han planteado, comunicado y resuelto antes de la ejecución de este acuerdo.
- 1.4 UEMS-EACCME® shall inform the providers of international CPD/CME live events of the additional criteria and/or requirement(s) imposed by Spain for accreditation through mention of them on its website (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>) that will be used as the single entry point for accreditation of the planned live CPD/CME international events held in Spain. UEMS-EACCME® informará a los proveedores de eventos internacionales de DPC/FMC, a través de su página web (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>), de los criterios y/o requerimiento(s) adicionales solicitados en España para la acreditación de actividades presenciales de DPC/FMC, siendo la página web de UEMS-EACCME® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>) el único punto de entrada para formalizar la acreditación de eventos presenciales internacionales de DPC/FMC realizados en España.
- 1.5 CGCOM-SMPAC® shall inform the providers in Spain on its website (<https://www.seaformec.es>) of this agreement, its applicability to international live educational events and of benefits of UEMS-EACCME® accreditation, it being specified, for the avoidance of doubt, that SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® shall never be allowed to publish such agreement on its website and/or disclose it to any third party without the prior written consent of UEMS-EACCME®. SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® informará a los proveedores españoles en su página web (<https://www.seaformec.es>) de este acuerdo, de su aplicabilidad para actividades formativas internacionales presenciales, así como de los beneficios de la acreditación UEMS-EACCME®. Para evitar confusiones, debe quedar claro que, sin el consentimiento previo por escrito de la UEMS-EACCME®, el CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® no podrá publicar este acuerdo en su página web ni reenviarlo a terceros sin el consentimiento previo de UEMS-EACCME®.
- 1.6 Neither Party shall modify, delete or add evaluation criteria for the accreditation of an international CPD/CME live event pursuant to this agreement without the prior written notification of the other. The Party notified will immediately confirm reception of the notification and the Parties shall cooperate to adjust their procedures and – if necessary – to amend this

agreement in order to assure uninterrupted availability of the accreditation procedure. Ninguna de las Partes podrá modificar, suprimir o añadir criterios de evaluación para la acreditación de un evento internacional de DPC/FMC presencial sin la notificación previa por escrito de la otra. La Parte notificada confirmará de inmediato la recepción de la notificación y las Partes cooperarán para ajustar sus procedimientos y -si es necesario- para modificar este acuerdo, con el fin de asegurar la disponibilidad ininterrumpida del procedimiento de acreditación.

- 1.7 It is agreed between the Parties that in case of delayed notification or insufficient time to amend the procedures described in this agreement new criteria and/or additional requirements shall not apply and shall not prevent the international accreditation procedures. Should such situation arise, the Parties shall immediately start consultation and shall cooperate to resolve outstanding issues. Las Partes acuerdan que, en caso de un retraso en la notificación o del tiempo insuficiente para modificar los procedimientos descritos en este Acuerdo, los nuevos criterios o requisitos adicionales no serán de aplicación y no impedirán los procedimientos internacionales de acreditación. Si se presenta esta situación, las Partes se pondrán de inmediato en comunicación y cooperarán para resolver las cuestiones pendientes.

PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS / ACUERDOS DE PROCEDIMIENTO

1. UEMS-EACCME® accreditation procedure for international CME live events conducted in Spain. Procedimiento de acreditación de las actividades internacionales presenciales de FMC realizadas en España

- 1.1 Within the framework of the UEMS-EACCME® accreditation procedure, it undertakes to designate SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® as the only Spanish national professional reviewing body, the national accreditation authority (NAA)¹, from the date of this agreement and CGCOM® accepts such appointment to do all the acts established below as national accreditation authority reviewer. En el marco del procedimiento de acreditación UEMS-EACCME®, esta reconoce a SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® como el único organismo español revisor, la autoridad nacional profesional (NAA)², a partir de la fecha del presente convenio y el CGCOM® acepta dicho nombramiento para llevar a cabo todos los actos que se establecen a continuación en calidad de revisor profesional nacional.
- 1.2 The Parties will ensure that a CME live event is granted UEMS-EACCME® accreditation only if both the EACCME® criteria as outlined in (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>), as well as SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® national

¹ NAA: National Accreditation Authority

criteria outlined in (https://www.seaformec.es/acreditacion_fmc) are duly met. Las Partes se asegurarán de que la acreditación de las actividades presenciales de FMC por parte de UEMS-EACCME® sólo se concedan si se cumplen tanto los criterios EACCME (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>), así como los criterios nacionales del SEAFORMEC/SMPAC (https://www.seaformec.es/acreditacion_fmc).

1.3 When reviewing an application form relating to a CME live event for UEMS-EACCME® accreditation, SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® commits to; *Al revisar una solicitud relativa a un evento presencial de FMC que solicita la acreditación UEMS-EACCME®, SEAFORMEC/SMPAC se compromete a:*

- (a) at all times act in good faith and in accordance with any applicable rules and regulations as may be required by applicable statutes or regulatory body; *actuar en todo momento de buena fe y de acuerdo con las normas y reglamentos aplicables que puedan ser requeridos por los estatutos u organismo regulador.*
- (b) constitute and maintain at all times a pool of competent and independent professionals who will be involved by SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® as reviewers in the accreditation procedure of a CME live event, it being specified that SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® shall need to keep the identity of those reviewers confidential towards third parties not bound by this agreement; *formar y mantener un grupo de profesionales competentes e independientes que participen por parte del SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® como revisores del procedimiento de acreditación de un evento presencial de FMC, teniendo en cuenta que el SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® mantendrá la confidencialidad, frente a terceros no vinculados por el presente acuerdo, de la identidad de los profesionales que participen en los procesos de evaluación.*
- (c) provide UEMS-EACCME® with the evaluation of the application form for CPD/CME live events and the related material within seven (7) days as of the day upon which the information was communicated to it by UEMS-EACCME®, it being specified that UEMS-EACCME® shall only communicate an application form when the latter is completed and the application fee has been fully paid by the provider; *facilitar a UEMS-EACCME® la evaluación de la solicitud de eventos presenciales de FMC y del material relacionado en un plazo máximo de siete (7) días a partir del día en que el material es enviado por UEMS-EACCME®, especificándose que UEMS-EACCME® sólo enviará la solicitud, cuando esté completa y el proveedor haya abonado en su totalidad la tasa correspondiente.*
- (d) use the ECMEC® allocation system launched by the UEMS-EACCME® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>). *utilizar el sistema de asignación de ECMEC® puesto en marcha por la UEMS-EACCME® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>).*

- (e) to facilitate the procedure for students who have obtained ECMECs to convert the ECMECs® awarded to units of the Spanish credit system (Resolution 17135 of August 11th, 2025 of the Secretary of State for Professional Development of the Ministry of Health, https://www.boe.es/diario_boe/txt.php?id=BOE-A-2025-17135).
Facilitar a los alumnos que hayan obtenido ECMECs el procedimiento para convertir los ECMECs® otorgados a unidades del sistema español de créditos (Resolución 17135 de 11 de agosto de 2025 de la Dirección General de Ordenación Profesional del Ministerio de Sanidad, https://www.boe.es/diario_boe/txt.php?id=BOE-A-2025-17135).
- 1.4 Failure of SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® to perform the evaluation within the time specified (7 days), shall allow UEMS-EACCME® to seek an alternative expert assessment notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this agreement, and shall imply forfeiture of the CGCOM-SMPAC® right to the Fee (as defined hereafter). Si SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® no realizara la evaluación dentro los plazos indicados (7 días), la UEMS-EACCME® buscará una evaluación experta alternativa, sin perjuicio de lo dispuesto en contrario en el presente acuerdo, y supondrá para el CGCOM-SMPAC® la pérdida del derecho a cobrar la Tarifa correspondiente (como se establece a continuación).
- 1.5 For the avoidance of doubt, neither Party is authorised to, and shall not, directly or indirectly, undertake any obligation on behalf of the other towards a CME provider seeking UEMS-EACCME® accreditation. Para evitar cualquier duda, ninguna de las Partes está autorizada ni podrá directa o indirectamente, aceptar ningún compromiso en nombre de la otra con un proveedor de FMC que quiera una acreditación UEMS-EACCME®.
- 2. Monitoring of UEMS-EACCME® accredited international CME live events. Seguimiento de las actividades presenciales acreditadas UEMS-EACCME®)**
- 2.1 The evaluation defined in this clause is an additional control procedure that neither does replace nor relies upon regular evaluation procedures described by accreditation criteria used by the Parties. La evaluación que establece esta cláusula es un procedimiento de control adicional que no sustituye ni depende de los procedimientos de evaluación habituales descritos por los criterios de acreditación utilizados por las Partes.
- 2.2 SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® shall conduct on-site visitation or shall use other procedures customary in Spain to control quality and compliance with both its own and UEMS-EACCME® criteria of at least 1% of live educational events that obtained accreditation according to the procedure described in this agreement, taking place in Spain. EI SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® deberá realizar

visitas in situ o utilizar otros procedimientos habituales en España para el control de calidad y el cumplimiento tanto de sus propios criterios como los de UEMS-EACCME® en, al menos, el 1% de las actividades formativas presenciales que consiguieron la acreditación de acuerdo con el procedimiento descrito en este acuerdo, y que tengan lugar en España.

- 2.3 Results of control procedure shall be communicated to UEMS-EACCME® as soon as a report is ready but no later than 3 months after an evaluated event took place. Los resultados del procedimiento de control se comunicarán a la UEMS-EACCME® en cuanto esté listo el informe, pero a más tardar 3 meses después de que tuviera lugar el evento evaluado.
- 2.4 UEMS-EACCME® shall immediately notify SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® in case it receives an information on possible lack of compliance of a live educational event accredited according to this agreement. UEMS-EACCME® informará inmediatamente al SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® sobre el posible incumplimiento de una actividad formativa presencial acreditada según este acuerdo.
- 2.5 The Parties shall jointly assess all cases of noncompliance with accreditation criteria and will jointly decide (by consensus) whether accreditation should be revoked and whether corrective actions should be undertaken for future accreditation. Las Partes evaluarán conjuntamente todos los casos de incumplimiento de los criterios de acreditación y decidirán conjuntamente (por consenso) si la acreditación debe ser revocada y si deben llevarse a cabo acciones correctivas en futuras acreditaciones.

3. Accreditation fees for international CME live events. Tasas de acreditación para eventos presenciales internacionales de CME

- 3.1 In relation to the international evaluation live event services performed by SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®, SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® will receive an evaluation fee corresponding to one third (1/3) of the accreditation fee invoiced by UEMS-EACCME® to the FMC provider, according to the payment scale specified at (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>) (subtracting the updated processing fee applied by the UEMS). En relación con los servicios internacionales presenciales de evaluación realizados por el SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®, SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® recibirá una tasa de evaluación que corresponderá a un tercio (1/3) de la tasa de acreditación facturada por UEMS-EACCME® al proveedor de FMC, según la escala de pagos especificada en (<https://eaccme.uems.eu>) (restando la cuota actualizada de tramitación aplicada por la UEMS).
- 3.2 The Fee is only payable after the evaluation by SMPAC® has been received by UEMS-EACCME® and will be transferred to CGCOM® upon submission of an invoice at the end of every natural year. La tasa se pagará una vez que la UEMS-EACCME® reciba la evaluación de SMPAC®, y se transferirá al CGCOM® tras la presentación de una factura al final de cada año natural.

- 3.3 The CGCOM® shall be in charge of reimbursement of the individual(s) who performed the evaluation on behalf of SMPAC®. The UEMS-EACCME® shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever with regard to the allocation of the Fee to the individual(s). El CGCOM® será el responsable de pagar a los evaluadores del SMPAC®. La UEMS-EACCME® no será responsable de la tarifa que se asigne a los evaluadores.

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ADDENDUM 2.

PROCESS 2. / PROCESO 2

PROCESS TITLE / TÍTULO DEL PROCESO

Accreditation of Spanish FMC activities carried out in Spain requested from SEAFORMEC/SMPAC

Acreditación de actividades de FMC españolas realizadas en España solicitadas a SEAFORMEC/SMPAC

RECITALS / CONSIDERANDOS

1. Increasingly cross-border mobility among medical professionals, the use of technical means to facilitate simultaneous translation, and increasing training activities such as highly qualified workshops with a small number of participants, are arguments that support facilitating the international accreditation of local CPD/CME activities carried out in Spain or in countries of the CONFEMEL area. *La cada vez más frecuente movilidad transfronteriza de los profesionales de la medicina, el uso de medios técnicos que facilitan la traducción simultánea y el incremento de las actividades formativas tipo taller de alta cualificación con un número reducido de participantes, son argumentos a favor de facilitar la acreditación internacional de actividades de FMC realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL.*
2. According to the “Recitals” of the **“Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Brussels-Madrid 2025”**, the Parties are concerned about the difficulties that CPD/CME local Live Educational Events (L-LEE) and local E-learning Materials (L-ELM) developed in Spain have to obtain ECMECs. *De acuerdo con los “Considerandos” del “Convenio de cooperación entre European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Bruselas-Madrid 2025, las partes están preocupadas por la dificultad que tienen las actividades presenciales y las actividades a distancia de FMC realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL para obtener ECMECs.*
3. Therefore, UEMS-EACCME® and CGCOM-SMPAC® consider it useful for local live events and local E-learning material carried out in Spain or in countries within the CONFEMEL area to validate SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®

credits as ECMECs. Por todo ello UEMS-EACCME® and CGCOM-SMPAC® consideran de utilidad que las actividades locales presenciales y las actividades locales a distancia realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL puedan validar los créditos de SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® como ECMECs.

PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS / ACUERDOS DE PROCEDIMIENTO

1. Mutual recognition of competence for evaluation/accreditation of Spanish CME events according to the attached table / Reconocimiento mutuo de la competencia para evaluar/acreditar las actividades españolas de FMC según la tabla adjunta

- a. Live events / Eventos presenciales
 - i. Live events (Held at a physical venue /On-site) / Eventos presenciales
 - ii. Streamed live (Virtual event or Webinar) / Transmisión en directo (Evento virtual o seminario web)
 - iii. Hybrid (On-site and via live streaming) / Híbridas (Presencial y Transmisión en directo)
- b. E-Learning Materials / Eventos a distancia
- c. Blended activities / Actividades Mixtas

2. Evaluation Procedure / Procedimiento de evaluación

Since the accreditation process of SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® follows the same accreditation criteria of UEMS-EACCME® and since the accreditation procedure through the SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® website is also similar to that of EACCME®, both Institutions agree: Puesto que el proceso de acreditación de SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® sigue los mismos criterios esenciales de acreditación que UEMS-EACCME® y que el procedimiento de acreditación a través de la página web de SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® también es similar al de UEMS-EACCME®, ambas instituciones acuerdan:

- 2.1. By local LEE (L-LEE) and local ELM (L-ELM) carried out in Spain or in countries of the CONFEMEL area we refer to activities, *i*) mainly developed in Spanish language or other local languages, *ii*) which require a proportional number of participants, *iii*) have a local reduced fee or no fee to participate, and *iv*) that are mainly recognized or sponsored by a non-profit organization (academic, healthcare or professional) or a *Medical Enterprise* officially legalized by the CGCOM®. Por actividades locales, realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL nos referimos a actividades, *i*) desarrolladas fundamentalmente en lengua castellana u otras lenguas locales, *ii*) que en general cuenten con un número de participantes apropiado, *iii*) que no tienen cuota de inscripción o es una cuota reducida, *iv*) que están reconocidas o patrocinadas por una organización sin ánimo de lucro (académica, sanitaria

o profesional) o una *Medical Enterprise* oficialmente legalizada por el CGCOM®.

2.2. UEMS-EACCME® will recognize as ECMECs the credits obtained by L-LEE and L-ELM activities, carried out in Spain or in countries of the CONFEMEL area, as described in the following section. UEMS-EACCME® reconocerá como ECMECs los créditos de las actividades locales, realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL, según se describen en el siguiente apartado.

2.3. For the accreditation of SLEE and LELM activities, carried out in Spain or in countries of the CONFEMEL area, except for the particularities described in the present addenda, the general procedures described in sections 3 and 5 for live events and e-learning material of the 2018 Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM) will be considered. Para la acreditación de las actividades locales, realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL, con excepción de las particularidades descritas en este documento, se tendrán en cuenta los procedimientos generales vigentes de UEMS-EACCME® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>) y por los procedimientos generales vigentes de SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_fmc).

2.4. In any case, the review process will include at least one reviewer agreed with the Spanish specialists of the UEMS boards. En cualquier caso, el proceso de revisión incluirá al menos un revisor acordado con los especialistas españoles de los *boards* de la UEMS.

2.4.1. If the specialists requested to provide the evaluation do not respond within the requested timeframe, a group of expert backup evaluators will be available who have demonstrated efficiency in the CME activities evaluation process. Si los especialistas a los que se les solicite la evaluación no respondan en el plazo solicitado, se dispondrá de un grupo de evaluadores expertos de respaldo (*backup*) que hayan mostrado eficiencia en el proceso de evaluación de actividades de FMC.

2.5. The local activities of FMC, L-LEE and L-ELM must adapt to certain specific characteristics. Las actividades locales de FMC, L-LEE y L-ELM, deben ajustarse a algunas características propias.

2.5.1. Among the specific characteristics of local activities held in Spain or in CONFEMEL countries, especially L-LEE, are that they will not exceed an average of 1,000 participants. Exceptionally, a higher number of participants will be accepted, especially in L-ELM, if the provider provides a reasonable justification. Entre las particularidades de las actividades locales realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL, especialmente las L-LEE, no superaran como promedio el número de 1.000 participantes. Excepcionalmente, se aceptará un

número superior de participantes, especialmente en los L-ELM, si el proveedor lo justifiquen razonadamente.

2.5.2. Local activities, L-LEE and L-ELM, carried out in Spain or in countries within the CONFEMEL area eligible for ECMECs credits must allow the registration of registered physicians of any nationality. Las actividades locales, L-LEE y L-ELM, realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL elegibles para créditos ECMEC deben permitir el registro de médicos colegiados de cualquier nacionalidad.

2.5.3. SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® will maintain a public access register that will contain the activity data and the credits obtained. SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® mantendrá un registro de acceso público en el que figurarán los datos de la actividad y los créditos obtenidos.

2.6. Once SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® has positively assessed an activity carried out in Spain or in countries within the CONFEMEL area, it will notify UEMS-EACCME® so that it can confirm the accreditation or request additional information within seven (7) days. Failure to respond from UEMS-EACCME® within this period will be understood as tacit accreditation of the activity. Una vez que el SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® valore positivamente una actividad realizada en España o en países del área CONFEMEL, se lo comunicará a UEMS-EACCME® para que en un plazo de siete (7) días confirme la acreditación o solicite información adicional. La falta de respuesta de UEMS-EACCME® en dicho plazo se entenderá como acreditación tácita de la actividad.

2.6.1. UEMS-EACCME® reserves the right to audit any CME activity accredited through SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®. UEMS-EACCME® se reserva el derecho de auditar cualquier actividad de FMC acreditada a través de SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®.

2.7. CGCOM® will pay to UEMS-EACCME® for each activity carried out in Spain or in countries within the CONFEMEL area, whether L-LEE or L-ELM, a fee for the registration of ECMECs granted to such activity. CGCOM® and UEMS-EACCME® agree that the amount to be paid by CGCOM® to UEMS-EACCME® will be one third (1/3) of the evaluation fee paid by the provider for accreditation (subtracting the updated processing fee applied by the SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®). Por cada actividad realizadas en España o en países del área CONFEMEL el CGCOM® abonará a UEMS-EACCME® una cuota en concepto de registro de los ECMECs concedidos a dicha actividad. El CGCOM® y UEMS-EACCME® acuerdan que el importe que abonará el CGCOM® a UEMS-EACCME® será de un tercio (1/3) de la cuota de evaluación que haya abonado el proveedor por la acreditación (restando la cuota actualizada de tramitación aplicada por SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®).

GENERAL TOPICS / TEMAS GENERALES

1. Applicable law and jurisdiction / Legislación y jurisdicción aplicables)

- 1.1. This addendum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the “Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Brussels-Madrid 2025”, and consequently any point must be in accordance with that agreement. Esta adenda se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con el “Acuerdo de Cooperación entre la Unión Europea de Médicos Especialistas (UEMS) y el Consejo Médico General de España (CGCOM), Bruselas-Madrid del año 2025”, por lo que consecuentemente, cualquier cuestión debe estar de acuerdo con dicho acuerdo.
- 1.2. This addendum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Belgian law. El presente Acuerdo se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con la legislación belga.
- 1.3. Any dispute in connection with this agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Brussels, without prejudice to the rights of the parties to take legal action before any other court of competent jurisdiction. Las controversias que surjan en relación con este contrato estarán sujetas a la jurisdicción de los tribunales de Bruselas, sin perjuicio de los derechos de las partes a emprender acciones legales ante cualquier otro tribunal de jurisdicción competente.

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ADDENDUM 3.

PROCESS 3. / PROCESO 3

PROCESS TITLE / TÍTULO DEL PROCESO

Recognition of CPD activities developed in Spain and the UEMS-EACCME® procedure accreditation for these activities. Reconocimiento de las actividades de DPC desarrolladas en España y el procedimiento de acreditación UEMS-EACCME® de estas actividades.

- a) Reviewing scientific and educational material (REV) / **Revisión de Material Científico y Formativo (R-MCF)**
- b) Publishing scientific and educational material (PUB) / **Publicación de Material Científico y Formativo (P-MCF)**
- c) Learning by Teaching (LbT) / **Aprender enseñando (LbT)**

RECITALS / CONSIDERANDOS

1. Increasingly cross-border mobility among medical professionals, the use of technical means to facilitate simultaneous translation, and increasing training activities, are arguments that support facilitating the international accreditation of local CPD activities. **La cada vez más frecuente movilidad transfronteriza de los profesionales de la medicina, el uso de medios técnicos que facilitan la traducción simultánea y el incremento de las actividades formativas, son argumentos a favor de facilitar la acreditación internacional de actividades locales de DPC.**
2. CPD activities will be recognized with ECMECs credits when, despite not following the standard accreditation path of (EACCME®) or (SEAFORMEC-SMPAC®), they are activities that have a clear recognition as an educational activity, a proven scientific quality and a real value for the CPD. Specialist doctors and other health specialists who accredit activities with these characteristics may request CPD credits by an alternative route to the conventional one. **Las actividades de DPC se reconocerán con créditos ECMECs cuando, a pesar de no seguir la vía estándar de acreditación de (EACCME®) o (SEAFORMEC-SMPAC®), sean actividades que tengan un reconocimiento claro como actividad educativa, una contrastada calidad científica y un valor real para el DPC. Los médicos especialistas y otros especialistas en salud que acrediten actividades con estas características podrán solicitar créditos DPC, por una vía alternativa a la convencional.**

3. EACCME® and SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® recognizes the following activities developed by doctors registered in Spain. EACCME® y SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® reconocen las siguientes actividades desarrolladas por médicos colegiados en España:
 - a. Reviewing scientific and educational material (REV) / Revisión de Material Científico y Formativo (R-MCF)
 - b. Publishing scientific and educational material (PUB) / Publicación de Material Científico y Formativo (P-MCF)
 - c. Learning by Teaching (LbT) / Aprender enseñando (LbT)

4. According to the “Recitals” of the “Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Brussels-Madrid 2025”, UEMS-EACCME® and CGCOM-SMPAC® are concerned about the difficulties encountered by activities of recognized value for the DPC carried out in Spain to obtain ECMECs. De acuerdo con los “Considerandos” del convenio Cooperation Agreement Between European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Bruselas-Madrid 2025, UEMS-EACCME® y CGCOM-SMPAC® facilitarán que actividades desarrolladas en España de reconocido valor para el DPC, obtengan ECMECs.

PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS / ACUERDOS DE PROCEDIMIENTO

1. Therefore, UEMS-EACCME® and CGCOM-SMPAC® consider it useful that CPD activities of recognized prestige could validate their national credits as ECMECs. Since the accreditation process of SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® follows the same accreditation criteria as EACCME® and that the accreditation procedure through the SMPAC® website is also similar to that of EACCME®, both Institutions agree: Por todo ello, UEMS-EACCME® and CGCOM-SMPAC® consideran de utilidad que las actividades de DPC de reconocido prestigio pudieran validar sus créditos nacionales como ECMECs. Puesto que el proceso de acreditación de SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® sigue los mismos criterios de acreditación que EACCME® y que el procedimiento de acreditación a través de la página web de SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® también es similar al de EACCME®, ambas instituciones acuerdan:

2. All applicants, health specialists registered in Spain, who apply to any of the events mentioned in this annex, must do so exclusively through SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® web (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc). Todos los solicitantes, especialistas en salud colegiados en España, que apliquen a alguna de las actividades de la UEMS mencionadas en el presente anexo, deben hacerlo exclusivamente a través de SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® en su página web (https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc).

3. CPD activities which can be accredited and accreditation procedure /
[Actividades de DPC que pueden acreditarse y procedimiento de acreditación](#)

a) Reviewing scientific and educational material (REV / R-MCF)

- **Scope of recognition:** Activities performed within the scope of editorial procedures for journals indexed in PubMed.
Applicants must be health specialists registered in Spain.
- **Reviewing process:** Applications must be submitted on the SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® website https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc
The reviewing process will take two weeks from the date of receipt of the application.
- **Material to be submitted through the SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® website:**
Application form with:
 - Name of the article
 - Name of the journal
 - Impact factor of the journal
 - Reference in PubMed
 - Name of the reviewer
 - Billing information
 - Confirmation from the editor of the journal
- **Allocation of credits:** Number of credits for 1 article:
Journal Impact Factor (IF)
 - None = 1 credit
 - up to 3 = 2 credits
 - up to 6 = 3 credits
 - more than 6 = 4 credits

b) Publishing scientific and educational material (PUB):

- **Scope of recognition:** Authoring publications in journals indexed in PubMed.
Applicants must be health specialists registered in Spain.
- **Reviewing process:** Applications must be submitted on the SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® website: https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc
All authors of a published article can apply.
The reviewing process will take two weeks from the date of receipt of the application.
- **Material to be submitted through the SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® website:**
Application form with:
 - Name of the article
 - Name of the journal
 - Impact factor of the journal
 - Reference in PubMed
 - Name of the author
 - Billing information
 - Copy of the article

- **Allocation of credits:** Number of credits for 1 article:

<i>Journal Impact Factor (IF)</i>	<i>Credits for 1st Author</i>	<i>Credits for all Other Authors</i>
None	= 1 credit	= 0.5 credit
up to 3	= 2 credits	= 1 credits
up to 6	= 4 credits	= 2 credits
more than 6	= 6 credits	= 3 credits

c) Learning by Teaching (LbT):

- **Scope of recognition:** Faculty presentation/participation during the main scientific program of an SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® or EACCME® accredited event.
E.g. lecture, participation in panel discussion, chair or coordinator of session, oral presentation.
Posters will not be considered for accreditation.
Applicants must be health specialists registered in Spain.
- **Reviewing process:** Applications must be submitted on the SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® website https://www.seaformec.es/index.php/acreditacion_dpc
The reviewing process will take two weeks from the date of receipt of the application.
- **Material to be submitted through the SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® website:**
Application form with:
 - Name of the presentation
 - Name of the SPMPAC® accredited event
 - Declaration from the medical officer in charge that the presentation was delivered
 - Name of the faculty member
 - Billing information
 - Proof from the final program that the presentation took place
 - Certificate of attendance of the faculty member
- **Allocation of credits:**

1 presentation = 1 credit

- CGCOM-SMPAC® will report accredited CPD activities to EACCME® on a quarterly basis; UEMS-EACCME® reserves the right to audit any CPD activity accredited by CGCOM-SMPAC®; [CGCOM-SMPAC® comunicará cuatrimestralmente a EACCME® las actividades acreditadas de DPC; UEMS-EACCME® se reserva el derecho de auditar cualquier actividad de DPC acreditada por el CGCOM-SMPAC®.](#)
- CGCOM® will pay, for each REV, PUB or LbT accredited activity, to UEMS-EACCME® a fee for the registration of ECMECs granted to such activity. CGCOM® and UEMS-EACCME® agree that the amount to be paid by CGCOM® to UEMS-EACCME® will be one third (1/3) of the fee paid by the provider for the accreditation, once the secretary part has been deducted. Payment for

accredited CPD activities will be made on a calendar-year basis. El CGCOM® abonará por cada actividad acreditada de R-MCE, P-MCW or LbT, una cuota en concepto de registro de los ECMECs concedidos a dicha actividad; el CGCOM® y UEMS-EACCME® acuerdan que el importe que abonará el CGCOM® a UEMS-EACCME® será de un tercio (1/3) de la cuota que haya abonado el proveedor por la acreditación. El pago de las actividades de DPC acreditadas se realizará por años naturales.

6. When SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® modifies the fees for the accreditation of CPD activities, it will immediately notify UEMS-EACCME® and will send UEMS-EACCME® the updated and detailed list of fees for each type of CPD activity. Cuando SEAFORMEC-SMPAC® modifique las tarifas para la acreditación de las actividades de DPC lo comunicará inmediatamente a UEMS-EACCME® y remitirá a UEMS-EACCME® la lista actualizada y detallada de las tarifas de cada tipo de actividad de DPC.

GENERAL TOPICS / TEMAS GENERALES

1. Applicable law and jurisdiction / Legislación y jurisdicción aplicables)

- 1.1. This addendum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the “*Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Brussels-Madrid 2025*”, and consequently any point must be in accordance with that agreement. Esta adenda se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con el “*Acuerdo de Cooperación entre la Unión Europea de Médicos Especialistas (UEMS) y el Consejo Médico General de España (CGCOM), Bruselas-Madrid del año 2025*”, por lo que consecuentemente, cualquier cuestión debe estar de acuerdo con dicho acuerdo.

- 1.2. This addendum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Belgian law. El presente Acuerdo se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con la legislación belga.

- 1.3. Any dispute in connection with this agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Brussels, without prejudice to the rights of the parties to take legal action before any other court of competent jurisdiction. Las controversias que surjan en relación con este contrato estarán sujetas a la jurisdicción de los tribunales de Bruselas, sin perjuicio de los derechos de las partes a emprender acciones legales ante cualquier otro tribunal de jurisdicción competente.

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ADDENDUM 4.

PROCESS 4. / PROCESO 4

PROCESS TITLE / TÍTULO DEL PROCESO

Evaluation of support (Backup) of international FMC activities not carried out in Spain requested from EACCME

Evaluación de apoyo (*Backup*) de actividades de FMC internacionales no realizadas en España solicitadas a EACCME

RECITALS / CONSIDERANDOS

- A. UEMS-EACCME receives applications for CPD/CME accreditation from all continents, which are subject to the corresponding accreditation processes established in the **EACCME®** core criteria (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>). UEMS-EACCME recibe solicitudes de acreditación de CPD/CME de todos los continentes que son sometidos a los correspondientes procesos de acreditación establecidos en los criterios fundamentales de EEACCM® (<https://eaccme.uems.eu/criteria>).
- B. Under certain circumstances and for various reasons, **EACCME®** may require backup reviewers, selected from among recognized experts in the evaluation of CPD/CME activities. En determinadas circunstancias y por razones diversas EEACCM® puede necesitar revisores de apoyo (*backups*) que escoge de entre reconocidos expertos en la evaluación de actividades de CPD/CME.
- C. Given the CPD/CME experience of CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®, it has the knowledge of medical specialists who are experts in the evaluation of CPD/CME processes. Dada la experiencia en DPC/FMC del CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® dispone del conocimiento de especialistas médicos expertos en la evaluación de los procesos de DPC/FMC.
- D. UEMS-EACCME®, in accordance with the "Recitals" of the Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS®) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM®), Brussels-Madrid 2025, may request CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® for the names of

Spanish medical specialists who have demonstrated expertise in the evaluation processes for CPD/CME activities. UEMS-EACCME®, de acuerdo con los “Considerandos” del convenio *Cooperation Agreement Between European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS®) and Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM®), Bruselas-Madrid 2025*, podrá solicitar a CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® nombres de especialistas médicos españoles que hayan demostrado ser expertos en los procesos de evaluación de actividades de CPD/CME.

PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS / ACUERDOS DE PROCEDIMIENTO

- 1) The FMC activities that can be evaluated by backups are the following: Las actividades FMC susceptibles de ser evaluadas por los backups corresponden a las siguientes:
 - a) Live Educational event (Not held in Spain) / Presenciales (No realizadas en España)
 - b) E-Learning Material (in any territory) / A distancia (en cualquier territorio)
 - c) Blended (Whose Live part is not made in Spain) / Mixtas (cuya parte presencial no se realice en España)
- 2) When UEMS-EACCME® requires Spanish backup evaluators, they will contact CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® and agree on the names of Spanish medical specialists who are experts in the CPD/CME activity evaluation process. Cuando UEMS-EACCME® requiera evaluadores españoles de apoyo (backups), se dirigirá a CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® y consensuarán los nombres de especialistas médicos españoles expertos en el proceso de evaluación de actividades de CPD/CM.
- 3) The evaluators jointly agreed upon by UEMS-EACCME® and CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® will become part of the UEMS-EACCME® backup group. In any case, UEMS-EACCME® is not obligated to use these backup evaluators except when it deems it appropriate and necessary. Los evaluadores consensuados conjuntamente por UEMS-EACCME® y CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC® pasarán a formar parte del grupo de backups de UEMS-EACCME®. En todo caso, UEMS-EACCME® no está obligado a utilizar dichos evaluadores de apoyo más que cuando lo considere conveniente y necesario.
- 4) Backup evaluators will receive the fee determined by EACCME®. Backup evaluators will be paid annually, and the final amount will depend on the number of activities evaluated. Los evaluadores de apoyo (backups) percibirán la tarifa determinada por EACCME®. El abono que corresponda a los evaluadores de apoyo (backup) se realizará anualmente y la cantidad final dependerá del número de actividades evaluadas.
- 5) Each support evaluator will choose to receive the payment through their bank or through CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®. Cada evaluador de apoyo optará por

recibir el abono a través de su banco o a través de CGCOM-SEAFORMEC/SMPAC®.

GENERAL TOPICS / TEMAS GENERALES

2. Applicable law and jurisdiction / Legislación y jurisdicción aplicables)

2.1. This addendum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the “Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) and the Spanish General Medical Council (CGCOM), Brussels-Madrid 2025”, and consequently any point must be in accordance with that agreement. Esta adenda se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con el “Acuerdo de Cooperación entre la Unión Europea de Médicos Especialistas (UEMS) y el Consejo Médico General de España (CGCOM), Bruselas-Madrid del año 2025”, por lo que consecuentemente, cualquier cuestión debe estar de acuerdo con dicho acuerdo.

2.2. This addendum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Belgian law. El presente Acuerdo se regirá e interpretará de conformidad con la legislación belga.

2.3. Any dispute in connection with this agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Brussels, without prejudice to the rights of the parties to take legal action before any other court of competent jurisdiction. Las controversias que surjan en relación con este contrato estarán sujetas a la jurisdicción de los tribunales de Bruselas, sin perjuicio de los derechos de las partes a emprender acciones legales ante cualquier otro tribunal de jurisdicción competente.

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ADDENDUM 5.

PROCESS 5. / PROCESO 5

PROCESS TITTLE / TÍTULO DEL PROCESO

Agreement between the Ministry of Health, the UEMS® and the CGCOM®, to promote and disseminate the professional development of physicians

Convenio entre el Ministerio de Sanidad, la UEMS® y el CGCOM®, para favorecer la promoción y difusión del desarrollo profesional de los médicos
(La versión oficial española se puede consultar en: https://www.boe.es/diario_boe/txt.php?id=BOE-A-2025-17135)

On the one hand, Ms. Celia Gómez González, acting on behalf of and representing the Ministry of Health (hereinafter MS), with Tax Identification Number: S-2827001-E and registered office at Paseo del Prado 18-20, 28014 Madrid, in her capacity as Director General of Professional Organization (hereinafter, DGOP), acting under the authority of her appointment made by Royal Decree 213/2022, approved by the Council of Ministers on March 22, 2022, and exercising the powers conferred upon her in Section 19, Section 3 of Order SND/147/2025, of February 7, on setting limits for the administration of certain expenditure appropriations, the granting of subsidies, and the delegation of powers. (Official State Gazette No. 39, of February 14, 2025).

And, on the other hand,

Prof. Vassilios Papalois, President of the European Union of Medical Specialists (hereinafter UEMS) in accordance with the appointment made at the Council meeting in Malta on October 21, 2023, for a four-year term, with registered office at Rue de l'Industrie 24, 1040 Brussels, Belgium, acting on behalf of and representing the UEMS, in the performance of the duties assigned to him.

Mr. Tomás Cobo Castro, President of the General Council of Official Medical Associations (hereinafter CGCOM), by virtue of the powers of representation conferred upon him by statute for this purpose, following the meeting of said body on February 21, 2025, with registered office at Plaza de las Cortes 11, Madrid 28014, Spain.

The legal capacity and powers of representation of the latter two are governed by the General Statutes of the General Council of Official Medical Associations, Law 2/1974 of February 13, Law 74/1978 of December 26 on professional associations,

and the Electoral Regulations approved by the general assembly of the CGCOM on February 26 and 27, 2007.

The parties mutually recognize full capacity to act in the legal representation they hold, to bind themselves and agree, and, to this end,

RECITALS / CONSIDERANDOS

FIRST. - That Law 44/2003, of November 21, on the Regulation of Health Professions, regulates the training of healthcare professionals, covering both undergraduate and specialized training, and what is a significant regulatory innovation of singular relevance, continuing education. The latter's general obligation, with effects on the recognition of the professional development of healthcare service personnel, must have a special influence on the development, consolidation, quality, and cohesion of our Healthcare System.

SECOND. - That the Ministry of Health has a strategy for the coordination and approval of professional development processes. The overall goal is to promote and guarantee the quality of healthcare professionals and the creation of a favourable environment for the adoption of sustainable improvement measures at the individual, community, national, and global levels, leading to improved health.

THIRD. - That the significant mobility of medical professionals within the European area and the growing range of professional development activities highlight the need to identify paths for cooperation with supranational entities.

FOURTH. - That, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 300/2016 of July 22, which approves the Statutes of the General Council of Official Medical Associations, the CGCOM is a public law corporation that, according to Article 2, is responsible for the following functions:

1. The General Council of Official Medical Associations is generally responsible, in addition to the functions granted by current legislation, for the exclusive representation, regulation, and defence of the profession throughout the State. It is the official representative of the Medical Association before the General State Administration and the public bodies linked to or dependent on it, and the coordination of the profession among the different organizational levels of the Medical Association.
2. It is also responsible for:
 - a) Representing the Medical Association before all international medical and health organizations.
 - b) Representing the Medical Association before the institutions of the European Union on matters affecting professional practice and its ethical and deontological aspects.
3. In particular, the General Council of Official Medical Associations has the following functions:

[...]

- j) To update the professional competence of physicians, seeking the improvement of their professional activity and ongoing training, promoting Continuing Medical Education activities, either on its own or in collaboration with public or private institutions, and exercising the functions of accreditation and official registration delegated to it by the Public Administrations. To collaborate, when required, in the development of study plans, maintaining contact with educational institutions.

[...]

- i) To issue, following a report from the professional association with which the physician is registered, the certifications required by the competent authorities of the Member States of the European Union and the European Economic Area, as well as to inform other medical organizations about the professional conduct of its members.

[...]

- ñ) Formalize the agreements necessary to fulfil the purposes of the General Council, with the Autonomous Councils and Provincial Associations, as well as with any public or private institution or organization.

[...]

- p) Ensure the equal rights of medical professionals in their professional practice.
- q) Promote the improvement of the conditions of medical practice, as a guarantee of quality care.
- r) Ensure that the practice of the medical profession is in line with the interests of the public.
- s) Promote the scientific, cultural, economic, and social level of the medical profession.
- t) Stimulate interrelation between the various medical bodies that comprise the association.
- v) All other functions, legally authorized, that are beneficial to the professional interests of physicians and that are aimed at fulfilling the purposes of these Statutes.

FIFTH. - That the UEMS statutes of 2024 determine, in their articles 2, 3 and 6, the nature and objectives of this:

Article 2. Name

The name of the association shall be "European Union of Medical Specialists", abbreviated to "UEMS".

Article 3. Legal form

The association is an international non-for-profit association, abbreviated "AISBL", incorporated in compliance with the Code of Companies and Associations. All deeds, invoices, announcements, publications and other documents emanating from the association shall mention the name of the association, immediately preceded or followed by the words "international non-profit association" or "AISBL" in abbreviation, as well as the address of the registered office of the association, the company number and the words "register of legal persons" or the abbreviation "RPM", followed by the name of the court in which the association has its registered office.

Article 6. Purpose and activities

§1. Purpose

UEMS aims for the following international non-profit-making objectives:

- The study, promotion and harmonisation of the highest level of training, Continuing Medical Education (CME), Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and quality assurance of the medical specialists, medical practice and health care within the European Union;
- The study and promotion of free movement of specialist medical doctors within the European Union (EU);
- The representation, within this framework, of the medical specialist profession in the Member States of the European Union (EU), to European Union (EU) authorities and any other authority and/or organisation dealing with questions directly or indirectly concerning the medical profession, and any action which could further the achievement of the afore-mentioned objectives.
- The defense of the professional interests of European Medical Specialists.

§ 2. Activities

a) The UEMS represents medical specialists in Europe operating through its legal bodies – a Council and an Executive – supported by internal bodies that do not constitute separate legal entities: Specialist Sections with their Divisions and Boards, Multidisciplinary Joint Committees and Thematic Federations. Its work is underpinned by Standing Committees on Professional Development and Continuing Medical Education, on Postgraduate Training, on Quality Management in Specialist Practice, as well as Working Groups.

Medical specialist is defined as a doctor who holds a specialist title listed in Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC, as amended by EU Directive 2013/55/EU or holds a specialist title recognised in the European Union (EU) or European Economic Area (EEA) Member State, or satisfactorily completed a specialist training program in a recognised specialty conforming to the UEMS Charter on Specialist Training.

b) The activities of the UEMS to fulfil its statutory purpose are:

- Setting up Specialist Sections, their Divisions and Boards, Multidisciplinary Joint Committees and Thematic Federations;
- Setting up a general system of accreditation of Continuing Medical Education;
- Setting up European Training Requirements for postgraduate training and organising European specialist examinations;
- Conducting studies at European level and publishing guidelines on quality management in specialist practice;
- Setting up Working Groups on issues of interest for medical specialists at European level;
- Organising seminars and other forms of medical CPD/CME in the relevant fields of specialist medicine;
- Conducting and supporting research on medical practice, healthcare systems, medical education and training, health and diseases prevention, diagnoses, treatment;
- Informing medical specialists about matters relevant to the specialist practice and about UEMS activities;
- Entering into all types of legally binding and non-binding agreements, partnerships or joint-ventures with other local, regional, national and/or international (non-for-profit or not) organisations with or without legal capacity pursuing directly or indirectly a similar statutory purpose;
- Purchasing and/or selling, and/or participating in any manner whatsoever in the assignment, acquisition or grant of right in rem in, any moveable or immovable asset;
- Representing specific interests of medical specialists to third parties, particularly through lobbying.

The net income resulting from the above activities shall be entirely allocated to the realisation of the non-for-profit purpose indicated in this article.

SIXTH. - That the CGCOM, as the most representative non-governmental member of physicians in Spain, represents itself as a full member of the UEMS, as set forth in articles 7 and 8 of the UEMS Statutes:

Article 7. Number

The number of members is not limited. It may not be less than two full members, legitimate entities, legally constituted in keeping with the laws and customs of their country of origin. The conditions for Full Membership, Associate Membership, or Observer Status must be met at the time of admission in that capacity, and a full or associate member or observer shall not automatically lose its status by the subsequent loss of one or more conditions for full or associate membership or observer status unless one or more conditions causing loss of membership are met.

Article 8. Full Members

§ 1. Full membership is open to any organisation representing specialist medical doctors, having legal personality or constituted in keeping with the laws and customs of its country of origin.

§ 2. Only the most representative non-governmental organisation representing specialist medical doctors of a European Union Member State, or a signatory country of the European Economic Area Agreement or Switzerland or the United Kingdom may be elected to become a full Member of UEMS.

§ 3. Full members compose the Council of UEMS with voting rights.

§ 4. The delegates of each full member are under the obligation:

- To inform objectively and without delay the specialists in their countries of the activities and decisions of UEMS;
- To send to the Secretary General, at least once every twelve months, no later than two months before the date of the Council meeting, a written summary about the development of the specialist doctors' professional situation in their country.

SEVENTH. – That the MS, the CGCOM, and the UEMS consider the development, teaching, dissemination, and recognition of the principles that constitute Professional Development as their primary objective, since this represents a quantitative and qualitative advance in the quality of professional practice, ensuring protection for both the professional and society.

In 1999, UEMS implemented an accreditation process for medical training activities under a specialized structure called the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME), with the Spanish Medical Professional Accreditation Council for CPD/CME (SMPAC/SEAFORMEC) as a full partner. UEMS-EACCME® also has a mutual credit recognition agreement with the American Medical Association (AMA) for in-person activities, e-learning materials and blended learning activities. UEMS-EACCME® also maintains a mutual credit recognition agreement with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada for in-person activities. UEMS-EACCME® credits are called ECMECs and have been recognized in Europe, the United States of America, and Canada.

Furthermore, the Commission on Continuing Education for Health Professions evaluated the UEMS/EACCME Continuing Medical Education credit system in an ad hoc working group and submitted a proposal for recognition and equivalences to the Commission's plenary session to convert EACCME Continuing Education Credits (ECMECs)² into NHS Continuing Education Credits. This proposal was approved by the Continuing Education Commission and endorsed by the NHS Human Resources Commission.

EIGHTH. - That the MS, CGCOM, and UEMS recognize that Professional Development constitutes a vehicle for transmitting knowledge, skills, and values fundamental to the professional practice of physicians, and therefore the institutions responsible for these professionals must be proactive in facilitating all training, dissemination, and recognition activities at all levels.

That, given the shared interest between the parties, they decide to sign this framework agreement, which will be governed by the following:

² ECMECs: European of Continuous Medical Education Credits

PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS / ACUERDOS DE PROCEDIMIENTO

FIRST. Purpose of the Agreement.

The purpose of this agreement is to establish the basis for cooperation between the Ministry of Health, the UEMS, and the CGCOM (Common Professional Development Center) to promote, foster, and recognize the Professional Development (PD) of physicians for practice in Spain, through joint actions, which will be defined in future specific agreements. The scope of the cooperation will depend, in each case, on the resources available to each of the signatory entities of **this Agreement, as well as the priority required by their own ongoing programs.** The purpose of this specific action is none other than to facilitate the recognition and conversion of UEMS-EACCME® ECMECs as credits for Professional Development in Spain, so that physicians who successfully participate in activities that have earned ECMECs have a proven procedure in Spain that certifies such achievement.

Each of the specific cooperation programs between both parties will require the drafting of a specific agreement that will determine the work program, the proposed objectives, and the necessary means to achieve them. Proposals for specific agreements will be reviewed and reported on by the Monitoring Committee before being submitted for approval to the governing bodies of the parties.

When specific agreements have financial implications, the rules on the approval of expenditure files and, where applicable, the rules on prior regulatory intervention, specific to each party, must be respected, in accordance with the Law.

In order to develop this agreement with concrete actions, and in accordance with the seventh paragraph, in which the parties consider the development, teaching, dissemination, and recognition of the principles that constitute Professional Development as the primary objective, it is proposed to validate UEMS-EACCME®-accredited training for Professional Development in Spain, as approved by the Continuing Education Committee and endorsed by the SNS Human Resources Committee.

SECOND. Commitments of the parties.

The Ministry of Finance, through the DGOP, the UEMS, and the CGCOM, agree to program, by mutual agreement, various plans, projects, and studies that may be of direct interest to the three institutions. The actions developed under this Agreement or under future specific agreements will limit and specify, at least, the following: a) Purpose of the specific action, b) Actions corresponding to each party, c) Financing thereof, d) Duration of the agreement, and e) Jurisdiction.

The Ministry of Health, after assessing the report of the Continuing Education Commission on the equivalence of ECMEC credits, recognizes the UEMS Continuing Education accreditation process as of proven quality for inclusion in

Professional Development in Spain and, consequently, recognizes the UEMS-EACCME® ECMEC credits as training credits to be considered for professional promotion in general and for Professional Development in particular, in accordance with the credit conversion criteria approved³ by the Continuing Education Commission for Health Professions (Plenary Session, Minutes No. 11, April 14, 2015) and the Technical Delegate Commission of the CRRHH of the National Health System (Minutes No. 34, May 27, 2015). As reflected in the approved document (Document on the Recognition of Credits Awarded by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education and Proposal for its Equivalence in Credits of the Spanish Accreditation System for Health Professions), this conversion is subject to annual review, if so, agreed by consensus within the Commission on Continuing Education for Health Professions.

Since the CGCOM is the full Spanish member of UEMS-EACCME®, the Ministry of Health entrusts the CGCOM, through SMPAC/SEAFORMEC, with the management and registration of ECMECs in Spain and grants it the authority to issue applicants with certification valid in Spain for activities accredited by UEMS-EACCME® with ECMEC credits.

UEMS-EACCME® and its Spanish counterpart, CGCOM-SMPAC/SEAFORMEC®, have information on the number of ECMEC credits obtained for an activity.

GCCOM-SMPAC/SEAFORMEC® will issue, to physicians who request it, a personal certificate of participation and achievement in activities recognized by UEMS-EACCME®, which will state both the number of ECMECs earned and their equivalence in SNS credits. This credential will bear the logos of the three parties: MS⁴, UEMS-EACCME®, and CGCOM-SMPAC/SEAFORMEC®, and the certification registration number in Spain.

SMPAC/SEAFORMEC® will maintain a publicly accessible registry of all physicians who have earned and applied for ECMEC credits, submitting a quarterly summary of this information, as well as a complete annual report, to the Ministry of Health through the DGOP.

Physicians will request certification of ECMEC credits from SACCME/SEAFORMEC® electronically through the protocol indicated on their website (https://www.seaformec.es/reconocimiento_uems).

THIRD. Specific agreements.

For the implementation of joint actions, referred to in the second clause "commitments of the parties," which, within the Monitoring and Evaluation Committee indicated in the agreement, may be deemed appropriate and included in the scope of this agreement, the corresponding specific agreements may be signed, which will specify the specific objectives to be achieved, the technical conditions and

³ Document Recognition of Credits Awarded by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education and proposal for their equivalence in Credits from the Spanish Health Professions Accreditation System.

⁴ Regarding the Ministry of Health (MS) logo, it is understood to be the logo of the Continuing Education Commission (CFC) accreditation of continuing education activities.

measures to be applied to achieve them, the necessary financial resources, and the bodies responsible for carrying out the actions. These specific agreements will be processed in accordance with the provisions of Law 40/2015, of October 1, on the Legal Regime of the Public Sector.

FOURTH. Financial Obligations.

The signing of this Agreement does not entail any direct financial commitment and therefore will not entail any type of financial compensation for any of the three parties: the Ministry of Health, the UEMS, and the CGCOM.

Financial contributions for the costs generated by the collaboration will be evaluated and agreed upon for each of the Specific Agreements in which it is specified. When Specific Agreements entail expenses, their signing will be subject to their viability and the budgetary availability of each entity signatory to this Agreement. In any case, each party will assume the costs generated by fulfilling its obligations arising from the Specific Agreement in question.

FIFTH. Monitoring and Evaluation.

To supervise and monitor this agreement, a Monitoring and Evaluation Committee of three members will be established, composed of the following individuals by virtue of their position:

On behalf of the Ministry of Health, the Deputy Director General of Cohesion and High Inspection.

On behalf of the UEMS, the President of the European Union of Medical Specialists.

On behalf of the CGCOM, the Director of SEAFORMEC/SMPAC (Spanish Medical Professional Accreditation Council for CPD/DPC).

The Committee will meet at least once during the term of this agreement. The Committee may conduct in-person or virtual meetings, and the corresponding minutes will be drawn up in all cases. In addition, the Committee will meet when requested by one of the parties for justified reasons.

Its functions shall be:

- a) To resolve any problems of interpretation and compliance that may arise regarding this agreement and that arise from it, in accordance with the provisions of Article 49.f) of the LRJSP.
- b) To define the general guidelines for the actions to be taken in interpreting the provisions of this agreement, as well as to supervise their execution.
- c) To resolve any incidents that arise because of the application of this agreement.
- d) To study the advisability of extending or making modifications or improvements to the text of the agreement, which in all cases will be formalized through an addendum, in accordance with the provisions of Clause Six.
- e) Any other functions deemed necessary for the best application of the agreement.

The Commission's decisions shall be adopted unanimously.

The operation of the Committee, the frequency of its meetings, and the binding nature of its agreements shall be governed by the provisions of Section Three, Chapter II, of the Preliminary Title of Law 40/2015, of October 1, which regulates the operation of collegiate bodies, as well as by the operating rules that the Committee itself may adopt.

SIXTH. Modification of the Agreement.

This Agreement may be modified by agreement of the parties at the proposal of either party, expressed to the Monitoring Committee, by signing the appropriate modification agreement through an addendum before the end of the Agreement's term. This amendment will be processed in accordance with the provisions of Article 50 of Law 40/2015, of October 1, on the Legal Regime of the Public Sector.

SEVENTH. Causes for Termination.

The agreement will be terminated due to non-compliance with the actions constituting its purpose or due to incurring grounds for termination.

The following are grounds for termination:

- a) The expiration of the term of the agreement without an agreement to extend it.
- b) The unanimous agreement of all signatories.
- c) The breach of the obligations and commitments assumed by any of the signatories. In this case, either party may notify the non-complying party of a request requiring it to comply within a specified period with the obligations or commitments deemed unfulfilled. This request shall be communicated to the Monitoring Committee provided for in Clause Three and to the other signatory parties. If, after the period indicated in the request, the non-compliance persists, the party that issued it shall notify the signatory parties of the existence of the cause for termination, and the agreement shall be deemed terminated. Termination of the agreement for this reason may entail compensation for the damages caused, if so provided.
- d) By a court decision declaring the nullity of the agreement.
- e) By any other cause other than those previously provided for in the agreement or in other laws.

The effects of the termination of this Agreement shall be governed by the provisions of Article 52 of Law 40/2015, of October 1, on the Legal Regime of the Public Sector, as applicable. In particular, if there are actions in progress, the parties, at the proposal of the Monitoring Committee provided for in Clause Three, may agree to continue and complete the actions in progress as they deem appropriate, establishing a non-extendable deadline for their completion, after which settlement must be made under the terms established in the previous section.

In the event of termination, the affected party may demand from the defaulting party the legally entitled compensation for damages; in the event of termination due to its expiration, the terms agreed by the parties in this regard shall apply.

EIGHTH. Effects, validity, and renewal.

This agreement is concluded with the consent of the parties and will take effect upon its registration in the State Electronic Registry of Bodies and Instruments of Cooperation of the State Public Sector (REOICO) within five business days of its formalization. Likewise, it will be published in the Official State Gazette within ten business days of its formalization, as established in Article 48.8 of Law 40/2015, of October 1, on the Legal Regime of the Public Sector.

It will be valid for four years and will be renewed expressly by unanimous agreement of the parties for an additional four-year period. This renewal, which will always be carried out through an addendum processed in accordance with the provisions of Article 50 of Law 40/2015, of October 1, will take effect upon registration with the REOICO. It will also be published in the Official State Gazette within ten business days of its formalization.

NINTH. Dispute Resolution.

Any disputes that may arise regarding the interpretation, modification, execution, termination, and effects arising from this agreement shall be resolved amicably between the parties within the Commission provided for in procedural agreement FIVE.

TENTH. Legal Regime.

This Agreement is subject to the legal regime for agreements provided for in Chapter VI of the Preliminary Title of Law 40/2015 of October 1.

Being administrative in nature, the Contentious-Administrative jurisdiction shall be competent to resolve any contentious issues that may arise between the parties, all in accordance with the provisions of Articles 1 and 2 of Law 29/1998, of July 13, regulating said jurisdiction.

As proof of compliance, this is signed in the place and on the date indicated in the heading.

NOTE / NOTA

This agreement was signed by the President of UEMS, the President of CGCOM and the Secretary of State for Professional Development for the Minister of Health and published in BOE as a Resolution 17135 of August 11th, 2025 of the Secretary of State for Professional Development, https://www.boe.es/diario_boe/txt.php?id=BOE-A-2025-17135. Este convenio fue firmado por el presidente de UEMS, el presidente del CGCOM y la directora General de Ordenación Profesional y publicado en el Boletín Oficial del Estado de España

como: Resolución 17135 de 11 de agosto de 2025 de la Dirección General de Ordenación Profesional del Ministerio de Sanidad,
https://www.boe.es/diario_boe/txt.php?id=BOE-A-2025-17135